

House File 2363 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2226)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to member attendance at a closed session of a
2 governmental body.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 21.5, Code 2016, is amended by adding the
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3A. A governmental body shall not exclude
4 a member of the governmental body from attending a closed
5 session, unless the member's attendance at the closed session
6 creates a conflict of interest for the member due to the
7 specific reason announced as justification for holding the
8 closed session.

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EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 Under Code chapter 21, a governmental body may hold a meeting
13 of the governmental body in closed session under certain
14 circumstances.

15 The bill provides that a governmental body shall not exclude
16 a member of the governmental body from attending a closed
17 session unless the member's attendance at the closed session
18 creates a conflict of interest for the member due to the
19 specific reason announced as justification for holding the
20 closed session.